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Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 8830.0002-01

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Stacey L. Myers

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Tohru KIMURA

Application No.: 10/727,638

Filed: December 5, 2003

For: ABERRATION COMPENSATING  
OPTICAL ELEMENT, OPTICAL SYSTEM,  
OPTICAL PICKUP DEVICE, RECORDER  
AND REPRODUCER

Group Art Unit: 2872

Examiner: Leonidas Boutsikaris

Confirmation No.: 9614

**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION**

In reply to the Office Action mailed April 13, 2004, please amend the  
above-identified application as follows and allow the remaining pending claims:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on  
page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 12 of this paper.

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**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

Enclosed is a reply to the Office Action of April 13, 2004. The item(s) checked below are appropriate:

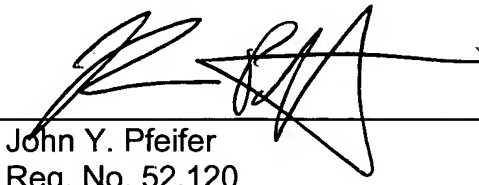
- ☐ Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) for a [number] month(s) extension of time to respond to the above Office Action. The fee of \$[Fee] for the Extension is enclosed.

The claims are calculated below:

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total	12	-	14	0	x \$ 18	\$ 0.00
Indep.	12	-	2	9	x \$ 86	774.00
<input type="checkbox"/> First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim(s)					+\$290	0.00
Subtotal						\$ 774.00
Reduction by ½ if small entity						- 0.00
TOTAL						\$ 774.00

☒ Please charge \$774.00 to Deposit Account No. 06-0916 to cover the cost of the additional claims added by this reply.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

By:   
 John Y. Pfeifer  
 Reg. No. 52,120

Dated: July 13, 2004